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Dear Sir:


In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered, and the references listed on enclosed Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of the listed references are not enclosed as they were submitted by the Applicant or cited by the Examiner for parent Application No. 09/280,783.

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Respectfully submitted,

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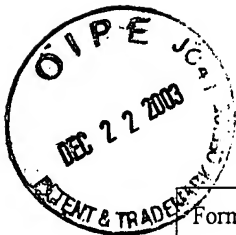
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